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RESPONSE TO EX PARTE QUAYLE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Ex parte Quayle Action of October 19, 2009, in which a two-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on December 21, 2009 (December 19 being a Saturday), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objection in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.